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- 1. A method for adjusting functions of an electronic device based on location of the electronic device, the method comprising the steps of: 2
- determining a current location of the electronic device; 3
- determining a current sector associated with said current location; 4
- evaluating said current sector to determine if one or more zone is 5
- associated with said current sector; and 6
- executing an action to adjust a function of the electronic device if 7 determined that at least one said zone is associated with said current 8 sector and said current location is within at least one said zone. 9
- 2. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating comprises a step of defining parameters for at least one said zone. 2
- 3. The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the step of defining said parameters for at least one said zone comprises a step of associating said 2 zone to one or more sectors. 3
- 4. The method as claimed in claim 3, wherein the step of defining said 1 parameters for at least one said zone comprises a step of retrieving said 2
- parameters from an external database. 3
- 5. The method as claimed in claim 3, wherein the step of defining said 1
 - parameters for at least one said zone comprises a step of receiving said
- parameters in a said electronic device from a user of said electronic 3
- device. 4
- 6. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of executing said 1
- action comprises the step of turning off one or more transmitting functions 2
 - of the electronic device.
- 7. The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the step of turning off the said 1
- transmitting functions of the electronic device comprises the step of turning 2
- off the said transmitting functions after a delay. 3

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- 1 8. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of executing said
- action comprises the step of changing profile setting of the electronic
- 3 device to provide visual alert or vibrate alert without audio alert.
- 1 9. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of executing said
- action comprises the step of increasing volume of an audio alert and
- 3 volume of a speaker.
- 1 10. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of executing
- 2 comprises the step of changing operation of all functions to preset default
- 3 modes if determined that said current location is not within at least one
- 4 said zone.
- 1 11. An electronic device operated in a wireless communication system, the electronic device comprising:
- a processor for determining a current position of the electronic device;
 - said processor further determining a current sector associated with said
- 5 current location; said processor further evaluating said current sector to
- determine if one or more zone is associated with said current sector and
- 7 executing an action to adjust a function of the electronic device if
- 8 determined that at least one said zone is associated with said current
- 9 sector and said current location is within at least one said zone.
- 1 12. The electronic device as claimed in claim 11, further comprises:
- 2 a database coupled to said processor;
- 3 said processor further for defining parameters for at least one said zone
- 4 and storing parameters in said database.
- 1 13. The electronic device as claimed in claim 12, wherein said processor
- 2 further for associating said zone to one or more sectors.
- 1 14. The electronic device as claimed in claim 12, wherein said processor for
- 2 retrieving said parameters from an external database.

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- 1 15. The electronic device as claimed in claim 12, further comprises:
- 2 an input device coupled to said processor; said input device for allowing
- 3 user to define said parameters for at least one said zone; and
- 4 said processor further for storing said parameters received from the user
- 5 through said input device into said memory.
- 1 16. The electronic device as claimed in claim 11, wherein said action
- 2 comprises a change to silent profile action, a change to default profile
- 3 action, a change to theater profile action, a change to hospital profile
- 4 action and a change to stadium action.
 - 17. In a wireless communication system in which an electronic device is
- receiving location information from at least one satellite, a method for 2
- adjusting functions of the electronic device, comprising the acts of: 3

within at least one pre-defined zone; and

- determining a current location of the electronic device using the location 5 information:
- evaluating said current location to determine if said current location is 6
- executing an action to adjust one or more functions of the electronic 8
- device if determined that said current location is within said at least one 9
- 10 pre-defined zone.
 - 18. The method of claim 17, wherein the act of executing said action
- comprises the act of turning off one or more transmitting functions of the 2
- electronic device. 3
- 19. The method of claim 17, wherein the act of evaluating said current location 1
- comprises the act of defining parameters for at least one said zone and 2
- storing said parameters in a database. 3

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- 20. The method of claim 17, wherein said act of executing comprises the act
- 2 of changing operation of all functions to preset default modes if determined
- that said current location is not within said at least one pre-defined zone.